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QUEENSTOWN, IRELAND, *March 24, 1900.*

SIR : I have the honor to report on the transactions at this port for the week ended to-day as follows :

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Passengers.			Crew.	Cargo.
			Saloon.	Second cabin.	Steerage.		
Mar. 18	Steamship Bovic ( <i>a</i> ) .....	New York .....	0	0	0	0	0
Mar. 22	Steamship Germanic .....	do .....	8	0	165	0	0
	Total .....	.....	8	0	165	0	0

*a* Steamship Bovic called for mails only.

Respectfully,  
 J. H. OAKLEY,  
*Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*  
 The SURGEON-GENERAL,  
*U. S. Marine Hospital Service.*

## ITALY.

*Quarantine against Brazilian ports revoked.*

WASHINGTON, D. C., *March 24, 1900.*

SIR : I have the honor to inclose copy of a note from the Italian ambassador at this capital advising the Department of a sanitary ordinance issued by his Government.

Respectfully,  
 JOHN HAY,  
*Secretary of State.*  
 Hon. SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

[Inclosure—Translation.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., *March 19, 1900.*

SIR : Referring to my preceding note of the 1st instant, I have the honor to communicate to your excellency the following telegram, which I have just received from the royal minister of the interior :

“ROME, *March 19, 1900.*

“*Italian embassy, Washington :*

“By ordinance of to-day (March 19, 1900), No. 9, ordinance No. 3, of February 6, 1900, with regard to vessels coming from ports in Brazil, inclusive of Bahia, has been revoked.

“BERTOLINI.”  
 FAVA.

Accept, etc.,  
 Hon. SECRETARY OF STATE.

*Report from Genoa—Vessels from infected ports.*

GENOA, ITALY, *March 19, 1900.*

SIR : I have the honor to transmit herewith abstract of bills of health and the regular report for the week ended March 18, 1900 : March 13, steamship *Manila*, Navigazione General Italiana, for New York ; 69 steerage passengers and 77 pieces of baggage were inspected and passed. March 15, steamship *Aller*, North German Lloyd Line, for New York ; 28 cabin and 113 steerage passengers and 102 pieces of baggage were inspected and passed.

Of the 9 vessels that sailed from this port to the United States this week there were 2 whose itinerary for the last four months is perhaps of more than ordinary interest, since it included visits to infected places. The Italian steamship *Manila* in December discharged a cargo of grain and hides here which was loaded at Bombay. There was no communi-

cation with the shore, and the Italian authorities here released the vessel after a thorough fumigation with sulphur.

The British steamship *Glenlochy*, from Singapore, Penang, and Port Said, arrived here March 14. Her living apartments only were treated with chloride of lime. There were 15 bales of hides and 216 pieces of buffalo skins on board invoiced for New York. These skins were accompanied by a certificate of disinfection in accordance with Department Circular No. 181, 1895, issued at Singapore February 7 and signed by Dr. Tunzelmann.

Respectfully,

RUPERT BLUE,

*Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*

The SURGEON GENERAL,

*U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.*

*Report from Naples.*

NAPLES, ITALY, *March 21, 1900.*

SIR : I have the honor to report that for the week ended March 21, 1900, the following ships were inspected :

March 16, the steamship *Aller*, of the North German Lloyd Steamship Company, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 31 cabin and 675 steerage passengers and 52 pieces of large and 575 pieces of small baggage. One hundred and thirty-four pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam.

March 17, the steamship *Patria* of the Fabre Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 1 cabin and 1,176 steerage passengers and 60 pieces of large and 1,300 pieces of small baggage. Three hundred and fifty-six pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam.

March 17, the steamship *Manila* of the Italian General Navigation Company, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 1 cabin and 726 steerage passengers and 40 pieces of large and 956 pieces of small baggage. One thousand one hundred pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam.

March 21, the steamship *Auguste Victoria*, of the Hamburg-American Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 162 cabin and 665 steerage passengers and 130 pieces of large and 790 pieces of small baggage. Sixteen pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam.

The work of the station for the past week has been enormous. In order not to delay the departure of the steamship *Manila*, the disinfection of the baggage was continued nearly the whole night previous to her departure. This steamship had on board on her arrival here about five hundred steerage passengers, which had been embarked in Sicily. These were taken ashore here and carefully inspected. Several cases with fever were found, but none of them resembled smallpox; but for safety's sake they were detained here. The entire baggage of the Sicilian passengers was taken ashore and disinfected.

The greater portion of the baggage has been disinfected at the quarantine station of the Italian Government. The station is well equipped for steam disinfection.

No further cases of smallpox have been detected among the passengers inspected here.

Respectfully,

VICTOR G. HEISER,

*Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

*U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.*